

Careers in International Development

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MIT Resources

Many MIT students are interested in applying their skills to issues and problems in the developing world. Numerous student organizations as well as MIT programs connect the MIT community with opportunities to make a difference in international development.

- The *International Development Network* website <http://web.mit.edu/idn> is an excellent resource and contains links to many related MIT groups and courses.
- *The Inter-University Initiative on Humanitarian Studies and Field Practice* is a collaborative certificate program offered by the Harvard School of Public Health, the Gerald J. and Dorothy R. R. Friedman School of Nutrition Science and Policy at Tufts University, and MIT. (One-year or two-year Master's degrees at one of the partner institutions incorporates certificate requirements into Master's program studies. Program information may be found at www.humanitarianstudies.org)
- <http://web.mit.edu/phrj> Established in late 2000, the *Program on Human Rights & Justice*, an MIT initiative, aims to create a cutting-edge inter-disciplinary environment for research, teaching, curricular development and real-world application in human rights, especially relating to the global economy and science and technology. [This program includes a summer internship opportunity.]
- *Inter-University Committee on International Migration* (MIT is one of the participating schools) <http://web.mit.edu/cis/www/migration>

Other Centers Affiliated with MIT

- *Harvard Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs* <http://ksgnotes1.harvard.edu/BCSIA/BCSIA.nsf/www/Home>
- *Harvard Center for International Development* <http://www.cid.harvard.edu>

Funding Resources

Carroll L. Wilson Awards <http://entrepreneurship.mit.edu/wilson/wilson.html> \$5k grant. Spend 6 weeks in a foreign country researching an important societal problem with international dimensions.

Various International Development Fellowships [from Duke University website, includes fellowships open to all students] http://www.pubpol.duke.edu/centers/dcid/pidp_career_fellowships.php

Reference Materials

Career Opportunities for American Planners in International Development, APA, 1994 [Rotch Library - Reference Collection | HD87.55.C67 1994]

Good Works: A Guide to Careers in Social Change. Barricade Books, 1994 [Dewey Library - Stacks | AS29.5.G66 1993] and see <http://goodworksfirst.org>

Great Careers: The Fourth of July Guide to Careers, Internships, and Volunteer Opportunities in the Nonprofit Sector, Garrett Park Press, 1990

Guide to Careers in World Affairs. Impact Publications.(3rd edition) 1993 [Dewey Library - Stacks | HF5549.5.E45.G79 1993]

World Directory of Environmental Organizations [Science Library - Reference Collection | S920.W67]

The Little Green Book: Directory of Environmental Opportunities

Directory of NGO's in the Field of Human Settlements

Hoover's Handbook of World Business: a Directory of American Firms Operating in Foreign Countries [[Dewey Library - Reference Collection | HG4009.H66]

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Online Resources

Virtual Library on International Affairs - Lists many organizations (aid, educational, NGO's) involved with international development <http://www2.eta.edu/vl/intldev.html>

Peace Corps <http://www.peacecorps.gov>

Idealist.Org <http://www.idealists.org>

International Development Organizations (Economic and Social Development Policy)

The International Monetary Fund - <http://www.imf.org>

The World Bank Group - <http://www.worldbank.org>

The United Nations <http://www.un.org/esa>

The World Trade Organization <http://www.wto.org>

US AID <http://www.usaid.gov/careers>

Nongovernmental Organizations

TakingItGlobal website Directory 3000+ nonprofits worldwide
<http://www.takingitglobal.org/opps/orgdir.html>

The NGO Cafe <http://www.gdrc.org/ngo>
including various definitions of an NGO

Searchable Database of NGOs <http://www.uia.org/extlinks/pub.php>

Another database of NGOs <http://www.rovers.net/~paulven/ngo.html>

World Volunteers The World Guide to Humanitarian and Development Volunteering
<http://www.worldvolunteers.org>

Additional Resources

Library of Congress Country Studies <http://lcweb2.loc.gov/frd/cs> - Lesser known country information divided by chapter and other subheadings, including transportation, cultural identity, geography, and health concerns.

International Salary Calculator <http://moving.move.com/move/tools/salarycalcint.asp?poe=homestore>
Includes international sites to compare the cost of living in different cities around the world.

MIT Careers Office links on International Development, NGO's, etc.
<http://web.mit.edu/career/www/graduate/fieldinfo.html#international>